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Pakistan – PHALANX Close-In Weapon Systems

On 16 November 2004, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Pakistan of six PHALANX Close-In Weapon Systems (CIWS), upgrade of six PHALANX CIWS Block 0 to Block 1B as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$155 million.

The Government of Pakistan has requested a possible sale for six PHALANX Close-In Weapon Systems (CIWS), upgrade of six PHALANX CIWS Block 0 to Block 1B, spare and repair parts, modification kits, supply and support equipment, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical data, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$155 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that continues to be a key ally in the global war on terrorism.

The proposed sale will provide Pakistani surface ships with a highly lethal defense capability against inbound aircraft, missiles, and fast moving surface craft. The modernization of the CIWS will enhance the capabilities of the Pakistani Navy and support its regional influence. It will further allow Pakistan to ensure the viability of their existing CIWSs by facilitating the upgrade of the current Block 0 system that are being phased out and becoming unsupportable by U.S. Navy logistic systems. Upgrading of the current system into the Block configuration that the U.S. Navy operates from will also reduce Pakistani logistical costs and will also reduce overall operating expenses.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

The prime contractor will be The Raytheon Company of Tucson, Arizona. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

There will be U.S. Government and contractor representatives for one-week intervals twice annually to participate in program management and technical reviews to Pakistan.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.